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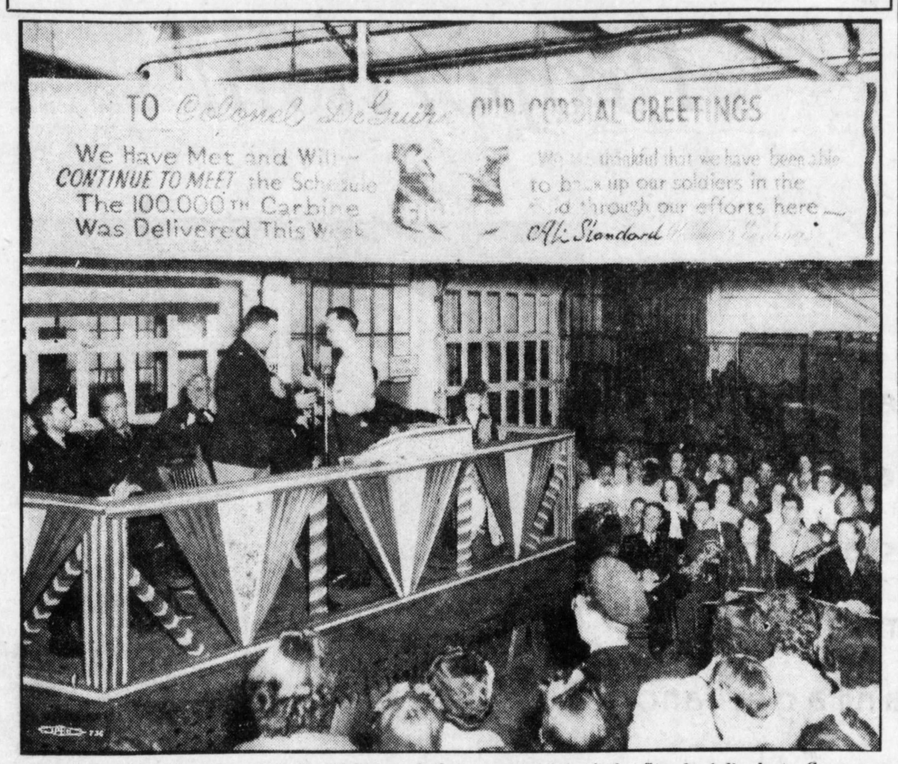
Port Clinton Plant Sets Production Record


TO Colonel DeGuire OUR CORDIAL GREETINGS
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CONTINUE TO MEET the Schedule
The 100,000TH Carbine
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to back up our soldiers in the
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The Standard

Members of Local No. 497, UAW-CIO and the management of the Standard Products Company, Port Clinton, Ohio recently presented the 100,000th rifle produced by the Company to Colonel DeGuire representing the army. The plant which formerly made window channels, employs 1700 workers, mostly women, who turn out a precision job of which they are proud. Thomas Kinney, president of the Port Clinton Local No. 497, is shown above presenting the 100,000th carbine to Colonel DeGuire.

Industry Is a War Front, Says OWI of Casualties

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (FP)—Industrial casualties since Pearl Harbor (to Jan. 1, 1944) are 37,600 killed—7,500 more than the military dead—210,000 permanently disabled and 4,500,000 temporarily disabled—60 times more than the military wounded and missing. These startling figures were revealed here Jan. 20 by the OWI in a statement which stressed the need for a "second front" on safety and "one based on the intiative of both workers and management in taking individual safety programs out of the realm of superficial front office promotion and superficial worker acquiencence and making it a live daily issue in human contacts at the production line level."

Revealing that injuries account for four times as many lost menhours as strikes, the OWI said: "Manufacturing has 50,000 workers absent every day because of accidents."

Figures Are High

The study also disclosed that deaths and injuries on the job are occurring now at the rate of 270,000,000 lost man-days a year, the equivalent of the withdrawal of 900,00 workers for a full year from the production lines and exactly the number of workers the War Manpower Commission recently estimated the country needed in additional labor force this year over last.

On the other side of the accident ledger, OWI found that management and labor, with the aid of insurance companies and safety agencies, had put into effect the "most accelerated adoption of safety practices in industrial history," without which the loss of life and limb would have been incalculably worse. Despite this, however, OWI quoted a recognized safety expert to the effect that a majority of the nation's 10,000 war plants are operating without realistic and effective safety programs.

Unemployment Up In December

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 14—Unemployment increased in Ohio during December, the first month to show a gain in a year which saw unemployment compensation payments dwindle to a total of only $1,520,701, as compared with $14,408,108 during 1942.

New claims for benefits, which, Administrator Jenkins pointed out, are the best indication the BUC has of new layoffs in the state, jumped 130 per cent during December to a total of 5,593 as compared with 2,437 during November. This increase had been forecast by Mr. Jenkins more than a month ago.

Unemployed workers in the construction trades, and iron and steel industries comprised the two major groups drawing unemployment compensation during December, Mr. Jenkins explained. Despite the increase, however, payments in December were comparatively insignificant, he added, pointing out that in the "normal" year of 1941 benefit payments in Ohio for the month of December totaled $1,122,966.

ANG President To Direct CIO Political Publicity

NEW YORK (FP)—President Milton Murray of the American Newspaper Guild has been appointed publicity director for the CIO political action committee, headed by President Sidney Hillman of Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

WHO'S WHO IN LOCAL 12

Lloyd Speidell, Chairman of th Champion Spark Plug Unit for the past 2½ years, and now completing his first term as a member of the Local 12 Executive Committee, is well known for his work, not only as an organizer back in the early days of the Champion Unit; but as a sincere and successful worker in servicing other Units of the Local.

Lloyd Speidell

Back in 1937, Lloyd was a hard worker in the unsuccessful attempt to organize his own plant, the Champion Spark Plug Co., in Local 12. Even when the attempt had failed ,Lloyd never wavered; but continued on as an active member of 12 until the plant finally was won over in 1941.

After the new Unit won the plant bargaining rights, Lloyd became steward in his own department—Receiving, and from there was elevated to executive committeeman. He succeded Al Kenngott as Unit chairman about 30 months ago and is now serving in that position.

Has Had Success

As a member of the Local 12 Executive Board, Lloyd has charge of the Ayling-Reichert, Usona, Toledo Steel Tube and Airway Units. He has done an excellent job of servicing these Units, and is one of the few members of the Executive Board who has asked for additional shops.

In his first year on the Board, Lloyd has had good success before the War Labor Board, winning three cases involving wage increases with retroactive pay clauses. One of the largest increases ever given in the state of Ohio, was won, with a 25-cent raise to the employes of the

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Patent Medicine Firms Fight Wagner Bill

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (FP)—Patent medicine firms are contributing large sums to a publicity campaign calculated to kill the Murray-Wagner-Dingell bill (S 1161), Senator James E. Murray (D., Mont.) told the CIO conference on full employment.

Operating through a front organization, the National Physicians Committee for Extension of Medical Service of Chicago, Murray said, they were "flooding the country with leaflets, pamphlets and press releases, filled with misrepresentation, deliberate falsification and villification of the bill."

Auto-Lite FCU To Hold Meeting

Annual meeting of the Auto-Lite Federal Credit Union will be held Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Y. M. C. A. at 7:30 p. m.

Reports of the past year's activities will be made and officers elected for the coming year.

Ted Wasserman is president of the organization.

Spicer Office Workers Organization Growing

Out on Bennett Rd. the drive to organize the Spicer office workers continues with the organizing committee reporting excellent response from the various departments. Everyone seems in favor of it. That is, everyone bu the Company. There are many things to be said concerning the Company's attitude, not the least of which is the firing of the popular Bud Williams for "absenteeism." We expect to devote a full article to the Williams case in a coming issue of the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL.

The hearing before the National Labor Relations Board has finally concluded after several days of hedging on the part of the Company during which they attempted to bar dozens of workers from the right of collective bargaining on the pretext that the workers were "supervisory," "confidential," "managerial," etc. Scott Rogers, chairman of the organizing committee expressed the wish that all Spicer office employes could have been sitting in the court room to witness the Company's struggle to salvage something from their disintegrating control over the white collar workers.

The hearing concerned itself for the most part with setting up an appropriate bargaining unit. In some departments it was possible for the Company and the Union to come to an agreement on exclusions. In Dept. 66 three supervisors were excluded. In Dept. 71 all supervisors and time study men were excluded. In Depts. 76, 77, 80, and 86 the supervisors and their secretaries were excluded. In Dept. 88 fifteen supervisors and five secretaries were excluded. The sales engineers were named as supervisory emyloyes. In Dept. 89 all engineers were excluded by agreement. Messrs. Haynes, Brown, Earhardt, Kesler, Catchpole, Klatt, Clapp, Peters, Kayser, Burrows and Meyers were excluded in Dept. 67, however, the Company claimed that seven others in this Dept., called tool engineers, were supervisors or professional men and as such should be excluded from voting. The union dis-

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Petitions Signed For Soldiers' Vote

Thousands of members of Local 12 have signed petitions requesting Congress to reconsider the Soldiers' Vote bill, which was defeated some time ago. The petitions are being circulated throughout the 50 shops where the local holds contracts, and in the local's dues office, where a petition stand has been erected.

Melvin Schultz, Local 12 president, discussing the bill; said, "Organized labor certainly is in favor of a bill which will enable our soldiers to vote, regardless where they may be stationed. If they are able to fight and die for their country, they should also be allowed to have a voice in who is running their government."

To Go to Representatives

When the petitions have been signed they will be sent to congressmen and senators in Washington who will be asked to work and vote in favor of the bill.

Following is the petition:

We, the undersigned members of Local 12, UAW-CIO, duly qualified voters in Lucas County, State of Ohio, wish to express our protest against the defeat of the bill which would have given the men and women now in the service of their country the right to vote.

Fight for Rights

When our young men and women are giving their lives and suffering untold hardships, privations and wounds to preserve the "American way" of life, including the right to express their choice politically, they are entitled to use their citizenship. We believe that to use the war and the servicemen and service women's occupation in the war as an expedient to deprive them of their vote is to deny them the very rights for which this war is being fought.

"We therefore ask that congress reconsider its recent action, and that a suitable bill be drawn up and enacted into law which would give the members of the armed forces, men and women, the right to vote in elections, as well as the right to become candidates for public office, should it be their desire to seek such office."

Mayor Makes Proclamation For Bond Drive

WHEREAS, General Dwight D. Eisenhower has said: "The only thing needed for us to win the war in Europe in 1944 is for every man and woman, all the way from the front lines to the remotest hamlet, to do his or her full duty," and

WHEREAS, The Fourth War Loan begins Jan. 18, and ends Feb. 15, with a quota of $38,500,000 for the County of Lucas, and

WHEREAS, We in this community have far exceeded War Loan quotas in three previous campagins,

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved That I, as Mayor of the City of Toledo, do earnestly recommend that every citizen of this community buy bonds to the limit during the Fourth War Loan, thus backing up General Eisenhower and our brave men fighting on battle fronts throughout the world for the unconditional surrender of Germany and Japan.

(Signed) **Lloyd E. Roulet,**
Mayor
City of Toledo.

Political Action Stressed At N.Y. CIO Conference

CIO Council Installs New Officers Jan. 13

Passes Resolution Opposing National Service Act

Newly elected officers of the Toledo Industrial Union Council were installed into office at Council headquarters, 611 Huron St., Jan. 13 by Jack Lane, retiring Council president.

Richard Lazette was installed as president, and Kerneth Cole as executive secretary.

In his talk to the Council, President Lazette called for unity and adherence to the principles of the CIO. He stated that he believed differences of opinion were necessary to keep the organization democratic, but said disunity would not aid the organization during the critical year of 1944.

Mr. Lazette said that he hoped "we can show the same militancy at the ballot box as we did back in the early days when we stood shoulder to shoulder fighting, not for auto, not for textile, not for the glass workers, but for all labor." He called upon the organization to go back to first principles and cooperation which built the CIO from a weak organization into one which occupies a place of influence and respect in the community and nation.

Cole Presents Resolution

Kenneth Cole, newly inducted executive secretary, presented a resolution calling upon the President to reconsider his National Service Law recommendation made several days previous to congress, and he condemned the Austin-Wadsworth bill which would conscript labor as "a vicious piece of legislation". He told of his experiences in Washington and of the unfair treatment given labor by the War Manpower Commission, and ended by calling for passage of his resolution.

The resolution was unanimously passed.

Other officers installed were Dan Sahadi, recording secretary; Ivo Irwin, treasurer; William Klockowski, sergeant-at-arms; Stanley Kaiser, assistant sergeant-at-arms; Clarence Foreman, trustee; Don Blair, attendance secretary; Thelma Bennett, librarian; Michale Burke, Anthony Eckhart, Melvin Lazette, Lewis Mattox, Bessie Murava, Charles Rogers, Joseph Shea and Jack Lane, executive board members. Norton Ackerman, Elzie Bush, Anthony Pacholski, Iring Wodtke and Jack Lane, board of control, CIO News.

Local Gives Paralysis Fund Drive Support

Members of Local 12 unanimously voted to give the Infantile Paralysis Fund Drive and the President's birthday ball their full support in a meeting held at Local 12 headquarters, Jan. 14.

Melvin Schultz, Local 12 president stated that the Local would give the cause every support. "We have supported this cause in other years and will certainly do everything possible for it this year," he said.

Girl workers from the various Local 12 shops will compete for the title of "Victory Queen" which will be awarded at the Trianon Ballroom, Jan. 27 at the President's Ball. Girls who desire to enter the contest may secure entry blanks from the Infantile Paralysis Fund Headquarters, 307 Superior St. The contest will be decided by vote with ticket purchasers to the Ball making the choice. First prize will be a trip to New York or a war bond; second prize, ladies wrist watch, third prize, traveling bag, and seven other prizes.

Tickets are on sale at the drive headquarters and will be distributed soon through the various shop committees. Kenton D. Keilholtz is chairman of the drive for the second successive year and reports that the ticket sale has been brisk. He stated that he believed this year's drive would exceed that of last year and expressed the hope that labor would support the undertaking with the same spirit of cooperation as in previous years.

Wagner Bill Backed By Local 12

Members of Local 12, UAW-CIO gave the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Social Security bill its unanimous endersement at its meeting held Jan. 14.

The resolution giving the backing of the Local to the bill stated that there could be no real security for the workers until sickness and ill health had been removed as one of the principal threats to security and called upon the representatives and senators to give the bill their support.

Wallace, LaGuardia And Murray Discuss Labor In Postwar Period

NEW YORK, Jan. 18—(FP)—Vice Pres. Henry A. Wallace, CIO Pres. Philip Murray and Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia of New York wound up the CIO conference on full employment here by emphasizing, each in his own way, one principle:

That postwar jobs and security depend largely on political action by labor.

"Just as labor played a prominent part," Wallace told the 400 conference delegates and scores of guest, "in pushing for the complete conversion which is now doing so much to win the war, so labor also should be a determining factor in seeing that reconversion gives up full employment."

"Labor should play a constructive role in postwar planning."

Murray was more direct. "Only action at the polls," he said, "can stop the drift to reaction which is being subsidized by those who want to convert this country into a happy hunting ground for monopoly.

"This election will see the most gigantic outpouring of money by reactionaries in the history of our country, and it will be subsidized out of war profits."

Both Wallace and Murray agreed that a national income of $200 billion is possible. (In 1938 it was about $70 billion). But it can be achieved only by utilizing our full productive capacity. Murray said:

"We have demonstrated our productive capacity during the war and we cannot be satisfied with less (after the war)."

LaGuardia pointed to labor's victories in the 1942 New York councilmanic election as an example of what the unions can do through political action.

He urged unions to fight for a guaranteed annual wage as part of their postwar goal.

Two Day Conference

Total number of addresses during the 2-day conference was about 40. Among union speakers were: Chairman Sidney Hillman of the CIO Political Action Committee, which organized the sessions; CIO Sec.-Treas. James B. Carey; Allen S. Haywood, CIO director of organization; Pres. John Green of Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers; Vice Pres. Walter Reuther and Sec.Treas. George F. Addes of United Auto Workers; Pres. Donald Henderson of United Cannery Agricultural Packing & Allied Workers; Pres. Albert Fitzgerald and Sec.-Treas. Julius Emspak of United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers.

Outside speakers included: Sen. James E. Murray (D. Mont.); former OPA Director Leon Henderson; Pres. James G. Patton of Natl. Farmers Union; Alvin H. Hansen, economic adviser to board of governors, Federal Reserve System.

Biddle Asks CIO Probe

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (FP) — Attorney-General Francis Biddle Jan. 14 ordered a federal grand jury inquiry into charges made by labor-hating Rep. Howard Smith (D., Va.) that the CIO political action committee's funds is a violation of the Smith-Connally act.

While the act prohibits direct contributions to candidates or their campaign committees, CIO counsel Lee Pressman in an analysis of the act held that the act does not bar political contributions used for general educational purposes.

Smith followed up his assault on labor's political activities by introducing a new anti-union bill, HR 3962. The bill would prevent officials of unions which had engaged in war-time strikes or slowdowns from representing their membership before the NLRB and would also strip the union of all protection extended by other federal legislation.

Kroll Talks On Political Action Unity

President Jack Kroll of the Ohio CIO Council, head of the CIO regional political action group, spoke before a special CIO meeting held at the Toledo Industrial Union Council, 611 Huron St., Jan. 18.

Mr. Kroll who was recently appointed regional director of political action for Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia by Sidney Hillman, head of the CIO National Political Action organization, urged the audience to begin to lay the groundwork for the coming elections and said that unless labor was successful this fall, it would suffer for many years to come.

The speaker said that the CIO would soon release a definite postwar program for employment, the policy having been laid down at a recent meeting of the national political action committee.

Mr. Kroll urged his listeners to register and to get everyone they know who is not registered to do the same.

Roosevelt Blamed For Marshall Labor Incident

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (FP)—In an editorial called "Why This Blitz Against Rail Unions?", Labor, official organ of the railroad brotherhoods, asserted President Roosevelt was responsible for Gen. George Marshall's recent anti-labor tirade and for failure to settle the railway wage dispute.

"The President and his chief lieutenants are almost entirely to blame for the failure to adjust the railway wage dispute," it said. "The White House is also responsible for General Marshall's unfortunate statement which, according to the best information available, is now being used by Hitler's propaganda agencies."

Headline on the paper's front page round-up of developments in the wage case is "Plan To Discredit Rail Unions 'Flops'; Strangest of Propaganda 'Stunts' Staged by White House.

Toledo Is Clean Town, Says City Council

Toledo, which was known for years as the "home of the crooks" and a wide open town isn't one any more, so said city council at its last Monday night meeting.

Dissenting from the majority of council were Councilmen Aloysius (Ollie) Czelusta and Addison Q. Thacher, both of whom said that Toledo should not be a cry baby just because the press of the country had connected the gambling scandal up with the name of Toledo.

Mr. Czelusta said that he thought the less said about the unfavorable publicity the better because, he said, "if the news gets around that Toledo isn't an open town it might cause conventions to stay away."

Councilman DiSalle, who fostered the resolution giving Safety Director Edward DeAngelo a vote of confidence to show the world that Toledo is a clean town, refused to agree with Mr. Czelusta. He said he had reasons to believe there would be more startling developments to occur as the Grand Jury investigation progresses and that the out-of-town newspapers should be informed that the gambling houses were outside the corporation limits of Toledo.

"This is all foolishness," contributed Councilman Addison Q. Thacher, "we shouldn't be a bunch of cry babies and should stand on our record," he added. "The papers will publish what they want to anyway. I found that out. Maybe the Union Leader will carry the publicity for you," he concluded as he looked straight at the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL reporter.

Councilman Tom Burke turned in his chair and corrected Mr. Thacher. "It's the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL," said Mr. Burke. "The TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL," said Mr. Thacher as the council chamber audience laughed.

Copies of the resolution will be sent out to out-of-town newspapers, radio stations and news agencies by the city publicity and efficiency commission.

When the vote was taken Councilman Addison Q. Thacher oddly enough voted in favor of it, explaining as he did, "I'm voting for this bill because the majority of council did. I still think it's a lot of foolishness."

Councilman DiSalle replied, "If I felt that way about a resolution I would vote against it."

"I have my own way of voting," said Mr. Thacher.

"Yeah, I have found that out before," said Mr. DiSalle.

The resolution was passed eight to one with Councilman Aloysius Czelusta being the sole dissident.

Senator Murray Scores Labor Draft

WASHINGTON (FP)—"Undue emphasis on civilian conscription at this time reflects on the integrity and loyalty of American workers," Senator James E. Murray (D., Mont.) said Jan. 13 on a March of Time broadcast.

Truman Says No To Service Act

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (FP)—Sen. Harry Truman (D. Mo.) said here Jan. 13 that he would oppose passage of a national service act "unless something very convincing can be presented to show there is a need for it."

The senator told reporters: "We're at the peak of our manpower problems now and we can expect it to ease before long."

General Eisenhower Thanks Willys Worker

Mrs. Marie Troch, an employee in dept. 308, Willys-Overland is the proud possessor of a personal letter of thanks from General Dwight W. Eisenhower, Allied Commander-in-Chief which was sent to her from Allied Force Headquarters in Italy last month.

Marie's husband, Michael J. Troch, is no newcomer to the Army. He enlisted in the regular Army 10 years ago and is now serving as a sergeant in Italy. Marie decided that she would make a flag for Gen. Eisenhower and send it to her husband to present to him.

Mrs. Marie Troch

The flag, a hand crocheted piece measuring 3x2½ feet and containing monogramed stars was sent to Sergeant Michale Troch late in the fall. He sent it on to General Eisenhower who wrote the following letter to Marie:

December 15, 1943.

Mrs. Michael J. Troch,
724 Ontario St.
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Mrs. Troch:

I truly appreciate your sending me an American flag, especially as you made it yourself during your spare time. It is a particular pleasure to hear that you are a defense worker in the Overland Motor Company. If everyone on the home front does his part as well as you obviously are doing yours, it will bring the day of victory closer.

My best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,
Dwight W. Eisenhower.

P. S. I have written your husband a short note to tell him that I have received the flag.

Many in Services

Besides her husband, Marie has three brothers serving in the Army and one brother in the Navy. She has been employed at Willys since September 1943 and formerly worked as a clerk in retail drug company. She is very happy to be doing war work and feels that she is doing her part to aid her husband and brothers win the war.

Sidney Hillman Talks on Value of Political Action

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (FP)—Full employment after the war depends on political activity during the war, Chairman Sidney Hillman of the CIO Political Action Committee told a conference of labor leaders at the Park Central Hotel here Jan. 14. Hillman sounded the keynote of the 2-day session of 250 union representatives from all over the country called together by the committee to discuss problems of reconversion and full employment in the transition and postwar periods. He said:

"Proper provision for our demobilized servicemen, an expanded social security program, equitable taxation, the fight against inflation, recapture of excess war profits, contract termination and reconversion—all are problems which press for solution. Solutions arrived at today, while we are still in the midst of war, will have an important influence in molding our postwar economy."

To the applause of delegates and a crowded gallery of visitors, Hillman struck back at Rep. Howard W. Smith (D. Va.) for inducing a Dept. of Justice investigation of the CIO's $700,000 political action fund.

"The fact that he is asking for an investigation of our committee," Hillman said, "shows that there is great concern already being felt among those who would like to deprive labor and the common man of the opportunities which may come from the activities of our committee."

Pres. Albert J. Fitzgerald of United Electric Radio & Machine workers, another speaker, charged that there is a gigantic conspiracy afoot to divide the men and women in the armed forces from the men and women in industry, "particularly those who belong to unions."

Former OPA Administrator Leon Henderson, now chairman of the board of directors, Research Institute of America, said that it will be necessary to relocate 20 million workers and servicemen at the end of the war.

Who's Who In Local 12

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Usona Mfg. Co. Ayling-Reichert has had a 15-cent increase recommended by the hearings officer, and Airway was given an increase with retroactive pay to October 1942.

All the increases were won in plans with substandard rates, increases which have brought these plants into line with the rates of other plants in this area doing similar work.

Sincere In Work

One of the outstanding characteristics of Lloyd Speidell is his sincerity. No one doubts his devotion to the cause which he serves. As chairman of the Champion Unit and member of the Local 12 Board, he has been a credit to his Unit and his Union, a true union-minded worker who has never lost the ability to think as the rank and file thinks, and who has a deep sympathy and understanding of their problems.

Lloyd is married and lives at 1962 Wellesley Dr. He has only one hobby, and that is working for his organization.

Industries Face Conspiracy Charges

NEW YORK (FP)—Charges of conspiring with a German chemical trust to monopolize and restrict trade in chemicals and munitions were filed against the giant E. I. duPont deNemours & Co., the Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd. of Great Britain and six leaders of British and American industry by the Department of Justice in U. S. district court.

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Union Aids War Bond Sale

Among the largest groups of purchaser of war bonds in the 4th War Loan drive, which opened January 18, are the more than 32,000 members of Local No. 12, UAW-CIO according to President Melvin Schultz of Local 12.

"Many of our shops have won the Treasury Department's Minuteman Flag for more than 90% participation in spending 10% of the workers' wages and purchasing bonds," said Mr. Schultz. "We believe that our members will show the same spirit in the present war loan drive that they did in the other drives, and we feel confident that once again our members will contribute financially to make the drive a great success."

Bond sales are facilitated in many of the Local 12 plants through the federal credit unions, Willys-Overland, Spicer Manufacturing Company, Auto-Lite, Champion Spark Plug and others.

Efforts are being made to induce those who have not purchased bonds during the drive, and to induce others who have been purchasing bonds under the 10% payroll deduction plan to purchase an additional bond at this time.

'Gentlemen's Agreement' May Defeat Repeal

NEW YORK (FP) — Unions were warned by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties to be on the lookout for a "gentlemen's agreement" in the senate which would kill the Marcantonio poll tax repeal bill (HR 7) quietly.

In a 1,000-word letter prepared for nation wide distribution, the federation said that southern senators are hoping to strangle the bill before it comes onto the floor for debate because "they fear a prolonged filibuster will arouse the disgust of the people and boomerang on their plans."

Unions were urged to contact senators from their states and insist that the bill be brought out on the floor and kept there until it is voted on.

NEW YORK (FP)—The Rockefeller dominated Chase National bank, cornerstone of America's second greatest financial empire, was indicted by a federal grand jury on charges of conspiracy and violating the trading with the enemy act.

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Smith Asks Indictment of CIO Committee

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (FP)—One of Washington's most energetic eager beavers for democracy—poll tax style—Rep. Howard W. Smith (D. Va.) sought new honors for himself here Jan. 13 when he demanded the Dept. of Justice seek indictment of the CIO's Political Action Committee for "flagrant violation" of the War Labor Disputes Act.

The stiff-necked hatchet wielder from the other side of the Potomac wrote Atty. Gen. Francis Biddle that activities of the committee as described by CIO Pres. Philip Murray in a recent magazine article violated the criminal provisions of section 9 of the Smtih-Connally act.

Cites Section 9

Section 9 makes it unlawful for "any labor organization to make a contribution in connection with any election at which presidential and vice-presidential electors, or a senator or representative in, or delegate or resident commissioner to, Congress are to be voted for," Smith said.

His attack on the PAC was timed 24 hours before the committee was scheduled to open a 2-day conference in New York. Vice-Pres. Henry Wallace, Sen. James Murray (D. Mont.), Mayor LaGuardia of New York and other prominent speakers were scheduled to address the group during the meeting.

The Virginian, whose recent contributions to the war effort have included fishing expeditions into OPA and the WLB and who is currently engaged in smearing the President's Fair Employment Practice Committee, asked Biddle to "present the whole matter to a federal grand jury . . . with a view to the indictment and prosecution of those engaged in this conspiracy to control the national election of 1944."

"Mr. Murray is president of the CIO," he said. "The article is a defiant confession of the statute."

Cost of Living Increases

NEW YORK (FP)—The cost of living for wage earners and lower-salaried clerical workers in December rose in 45 of 70 industrial cities surveyed by the Natl. Industrial Conference Board. Largest increase, 1.2%, occurred in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Office Workers' Organization Growing Fast

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puted this contention. Disputed in this same Dept. are the write-up men and tool developers and 12 people who do clerical work which the Company claims is confidential. The remainder of the clerical employes are included by agreement.

In this Dept. composed of about 90 people, the Company claims that only about 30 are eligible for the election. This leaves two "supervisory" employes for each worker. The success of the organizaing drive in this Dept. proves that these men are wearying of titles and are looking for recognition of a different type. This Dept. is under Mr. Haynes who once remarked to this writer that he wished he were as clever as Westbrook Pegler.

The Company's claim that certain employes were profesional people was broken down when, Haynes, on the stand admitted that a move to a desk across the aisle with a new title constituted, for all practical purposes, the only difference between these workers and others who were not disputed. Haynes admitted that if these men exercised any authority it was as lead men. Leaders in other parts of the factory belong to the union.

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Lucas Against Anti-labor Clause

WASHINGTON (FP)—Senator Scott Lucas (D. Ill.) said Jan. 13 he would move to strike from the tax bill, now up for debate in the senate, an anti-labor clause requiring unions and cooperatives to file annual financial reports with the Treasury.

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Auto-Lite News

Seems 'tis mating time at Plant — five weddings since Christmas.

Olive Eckelberry, Dept. 2, married Tom Cunningham, who recently returned from the Army with a medical discharge.

Mary Ricky and Gerald Mersereau, both from Dept. 2, took the fatal step last week. Better watch the wolves, Mary, because Gerald gets around the lathe line frequently.

Delores Reiter, time keeper, married John Belcheff, Overland employee. That love light glowing in your eyes is quite becoming.

Joe Schmid, Dept. 2, left work one morning feeling ill. We gathered the ailment was love sickness for he returned to work a married man.

Harold Walters, Dept. 2, was married Saturday.

May all these folks have many happy days ahead, and congratulations.

Agnes Scringeour has been elected Pin-Up Girl by Dept. 3, Grinders. How about a picture, Agnes?

Bud Palmer, lead man on the lathe line, was furnished a desk. The girls thought a cheerful note should be added, thereby presenting him with two potted plants. The card that accompanied the gift was a daisy!

Anne Fejes, Dept. 2, is running for "Victory Queen" from the first shift! Anne is well liked at Aviation, Ketcham and Plant 25. Very glamorous girl, should have no trouble winning one of the ten prizes.

Patty Heams and Virginia Wilhelm, Dept. 2, second shift, are also running from Plant 25. Very glamorous girls, they should have no trouble winning one of the ten prizes.

Let's all buy a ticket for the President's Ball, not only to elect one of our girls Queen, but to help a very worthy cause.

Since Neola Besgrove returned to the second shift, "Spotty", our mascot kitty, is being neglected. Won't someone take over this duty? Your assistance in gathering news is also missed, my friend.

ASSEMBLY

Pauline Emery has returned from visiting her Ma in Pikerville, Tenn. We are glad to see her back on the assembly line.

Dept. 10 sent me this news item: If the committee wants to discuss their personal feelings, who don't they meet some place and let the best man win? Their personal arguments are not bettering our working conditions or wage raises. When we spend an entire Sunday afternoon attending a union meeting we are not interested in a mud slinging committee argument.

How about a Leap Year dance? Let the male population be the wall flowers—might be fun, girls.

Canco (1) Opener

By Ted Modrowski

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

"I still think that if I had a good voice I would be the nations outstanding 'swoon-crooner'", says Elmer Seegert...Take it easy Bub ...Charlie Rinaldi asks, ''What makes these women chase me so?" ...Sorry, Charlie, but that isn't the way we heard it..."Put the hammer to it," utters Carl "Junior" Voegeli..."Proletariat, that's what I am a proletariat," discovers Ben Macy..."What has Lili Pons got that I haven't got?" asks golden voiced Lili Bellfy...Dark hair I guess...I put both of my ears in his hands and threw him to the floor on top of me," says our wrestling friend Paul Herwat..."I don't care to sit," lies Frances Kowalkowski..." All good union members will turn out to vote at the local hall this Saturday and Sunday," says Frances Machinski.

TOO BAD

Way over in the Southwest Pacific fresh from a foxhole, a soldier was given a paper to read. The paper was given to him by a gent who enjoys spending the taxpayers money by flying to the battle fronts and then getting himself lost in the ocean. This sheet it is said, contained a story of a strike which was supposed to have caused the Marines at Guadalcanal great hardships. After the paper had been read, the inquiring reporter asked, "Well soldier, what do you think of your brothers now?"

"It's rotten. The Japs are bad enough, but this—" that concluded his answer as he walked away with bitterness in his eye. But in the eye of this globe trotter could be seen a gleam of happiness. His objective had been reached. All he need do now is wait for the boys to return and they will finish what he started.

It may seem strange but the very words that this soldier read may have even turned your stomach. Was it the truth? It's a safe bet that it was anything but the truth. To squelch this form of propaganda is our biggest fight and we can start a grand offensive by writing the boys and tell them of the Smiths and the Conallys who seek to crucify labor. Tell them of the wonders the WLB is performing, and by all means don't forget to tell them how great a future Frederick Crawford has planned for Labor and you can top it off by telling the boys how well Congress is cooperating to hold the prices down. Every letter usually ends with a P. S. so in your's you can mention all the good that is being done by Congressman Ramey!

When the boys hear the truth about these things, and this can only be done by you writing them or as it was said before send them the Toledo Union Journal, they will be better prepared to help us when they return and you can be sure we will be looking for their help.

A Message To Auto-Lite Workers

By Howard Cutcher,
Auto-Lite Executive Committee

Our chairman, Bob Guncheon, saw fit to invite George Addes to our last Sunday Unit meeting in what we can now see was a fruitless attempt to mislead the membership so they would re-elect the same committee at the election next month.

Over 2,000 Auto-Lite workers turned out for the meeting with the expectation o having important issues settled. These issues are still unsettled, because Addes, at the prompting of a shaky committee, insisted on turning the meeting into a political gab-fest, spending four hours trying to defend himself and the committee from the damaging evidence produced by Eddie Duck.

Guncheon Contributes Bit

Guncheon, too, contributed his bit to obstructing settlement of your shop problems when he took the floor to aid Addes, who was supposed to aid both Bob and the committee. The workers' disgust with Guncheon was made apparent when hundreds left the hall when he began to speak.

And Johnny Beggs rose to say that George Addes was responsible for our raises in other years. To my mind that is an admission that the committee wasn't on its toes, otherwise why would George Addes have to come in and do something which the committee should be able to do for the workers without such help? Other shops don't have to send for Addes and still manage to get what's coming to them. Besides, Addes didn't get the raises anyway. The feelings of the workers helped a little bit, don't you think so?

Guncheon, Beggs, Thompson, Claypool and Byrd made a uniformly poor showing in trying to explain their actions. Nobody could forget that all these brave souls have been too fearful to accept Eddie Duck's debate challenge. Addes himself said he would not debate with Duck, but the committeemen didn't say anything. They do all their big talking privately in the plant to the people down there, but I don't think they are kidding anyone since the truth has been told about them.

For Bob Guncheon's information, next Sunday's educational meeting will be open to Auto-Lite members and everyone who belongs is invited to attend. We will not call anyone to do our talking or thinking for us, but will bring out a lot of new facts about some of the committeemen which have never been told.

I urge every member of the Auto-Lite who can possibly do so to attend next Sunday's meeting at 2:00 p. m. in Parlor "A" at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St. It will pay you to come and find out why you workers need a new deal in your representation. You'll hear truths you never dreamed could be. Come on down and show your interest in your own organization.

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National Supply

By Shorty Sager

HUMMER

Wesley Harris, better known to his friends and fellow workers as "Hummer", was named after a famous religious founder. However, don't let that fool you, because Hummer ain't no angel. Nevertheless, despite the fact that he's not a saint and doesn't have headaches from his halo fitting too tightly, he is one of our real go-getters in the union. He is on his toes and always ready and willing to do his brothers a favor. As a member of the executive shop committee, Hummer is one of the real spark plugs in our organization and has earned the love and respect of his fellow members.

Hummer attends all the Unit meetings and in general sets a good example which we might all pattern after in solid unionism. After the meetings, he is willing to blend that sweet tenor voice of his in rich harmony, and he can snare a high note just as easily as he can settle a grievance. Here's to you Hummer and may your kind increase.

THANKS

Henry Heckert, Dept. 38, recently received a letter of thanks from Africa, from one of the servicemen who received a carton of cigarettes as a result of the CIO Cigarette Fund Drive last summer.

BASKETBALL

Our team is in second place in the Y.M.C.A. Industrial League. Next Tuesday night our boys will play the Coast Guard team, which is holding first place. How's about coming down and starting a cheering section for our crowd.

AROUND THE SHOP

I hate the man who did the mistletoe job on me. Never mind, my lad, I know who you are and you'll be well taken care of in good time and in fine style. The only reason I don't get after you now is because I am working on an angle. Better come clean or else.

Who is the Brother over in Dept. 36 who carries the big club back and forth to work. He wouldn't be afraid of a little doggie, would he?

Johnny Schlegel felt that it's an ill wind that doesn't blow someone luck. He had promised to take his little boy to the movies and show, and then the Colony burned out. The theatre's still running.

Those two guys in Dept. 40 who are still wearing their straw hats from two years ago slip me a laugh. They never get near horses, because horses like to eat straw, or do they?

Harvey Gowman is about to be presented with some pin-up pants by the boys in Dept. 38.

Mel Penn and Ziggy are now bumming lighter fluid since Al Carnes quit furnishing matches.

T.I.R. Stretches

SODDY FOLKS

Sorry we missed last week folks but I hit an automobile just as hard as I could with my shoulder and had to take some time at home. You can't find out anything at home, at least nothing you didn't know before—well, lets skip that and get down to business.

NEW CONTRACT

Don't forget our new contract which comes up next month. Be sure and attend all the Unit meetings and learn about your contract. Don't stay away and expect someone else to tell you all about it.

STUFF

My gosh! Ain't that pretty paint they splashed around the plant? Brightening things up a bit ought to help the workers' morale, besides a little paint is an indication of the management's desire to create better working conditions. Its a good beginning and we hope the good work continues indefinitely.

We are all glad to see Betty Meek back on the job again. A swell kid. Hi Betty!

There are a couple of workers in the plant who try to boss the others around; but it doesn't do any good. The bosses wear shop coats and these would-be bosses don't. Think nothing of it and pay no attention to these small timers.

Russ must be getting self-conscious. If I remember right, there were no names mentioned as far as the lemons were concerned; but can I help it if he tries to get lemons out of the candy machine?

Our cigarette fund drive did fairly well last week. Thanks a lot folks and let's keep up the good work.

Champion Sparklets

Who is the good looking boy in Dept. B second shift that has earned the name of "Tootie" from his co-workers on the thread mills?

The shipping room dart baseball team challenges any nine men in the Champion or from any other shop to a game with a quarter barrel of beer to the winning team. Notify Ted Hill, 742 Detroit Ave.

If a member is dissatisfied with the answer given to his grievance, he has the right to appear before the whole Committee any Tuesday night after 4:00 P. M. to present his objections. The Committee meets every Tuesday night after working hours for the benefit of the membership and anyone who has anything to present before this body is welcome.

Bernice "Red" Miller Tucker, who is a new steward in Dept. L days, is doing all right, by gum. She went to work with vim and vigor and with the right cooperation from the people will be of great help to everyone.

It looks like Mercer in Dept. K will be needing a hat six or seven times larger than the one he has now...and it won't be long.

Fred Rice writes that he will answer all letters sent to him and that he would like to hear from the boys at the shop. Drop him a line or two and give him the news.

Cpl. Fred Rice
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After driving through the dust laden parking lot at the Champion we now know what a pilot means when he says he is "flying blind" and in "ceiling zero." How about something to keep the dust down ...or else install Radar?

Didja ever hear the true story about Bro. Bruce in the Transportation Office and the needle? Well, it seems that his wife had sown on a button for him—but wait! You ask Bruce to tell you, he tells it sooo funny.

And then there's the one about the cat sand, but any one of the committee will be glad to tell you that one.

The Pressed Steel Teller

By the Ghost Writer

Well, here we are again after being absent from the union paper for quite a spell.

What committeeman with initials of H. R. has acquired the name of "the dreamer"? Some of the boys are thinking they would like to dream with him. How about some of that stuff that makes you dream, H. R.?

Clyde (Butch) Fitch just got a haircut and it looks better since the barber made him take his hat off. What did he use, Butch, a saucer?

When the two Biler brothers go hunting, the one says you have to have a lot of patience to carry a gun around all day and only shot but one little rabbit.

Here's wishing John Newman in finishing department and "Big Al" of shipping lots of luck when they left for the services Dec. 15.

After three years Leo G. took a vacation. Wonder if he improved his pool any.

We all want to commend Bud Young for the reports he brought back from the conventions.

Why do they call Sam and Leo the "Fayette Twins"? Is it because they work so well together?

Who is the fellow that gets coffee and rolls for the girls in the office? What are you trying to do, Walt, get promoted to office boy? If you are we all will miss you.

What's the matter, are you slipping, Charlie? Since when have you started wheeling coal?

Here's hoping a speedy recovery to Frank the committeeman from his appendix operation.

Well, fellows, do you think "the dreamer" is right about our getting that back bonus? I wonder. He's told us so much about it we're beginning to have nightmares that we are cashing checks.

This is 1944, fellows, let's have a better year and put a column in the union paper once in awhile. We all know you like to see your names in print. The boys in service like to see what's going on in their own shops, so come on, fellows, don't be bashful, give your news to the Ghost Writer. I forgot you don't know who I am, so I'll tell you in the next column.

Rathbun Reporter

Hans Seiber is the proud owner of a new tool box given him by his wife for Christmas. The box is made of white oak and has several drawers in it. It also has a big ribbon tied in a bow on the top of it. The female touch, if you know what I mean. You do!

Walter O'Neal, the foreman, seeing Hans swell tool box decided to rejuvenate his own. He got a few sheets of sand paper and a can of varnish and went to work. When Walter had finished with the job on his box, he noticed that he had no red ribbon on the top. Up to now, Walter has been unable to get a large red ribbon, rationing or something seems to stop him from really doing the job up brown. So, if anyone who reads this column can help Walter out with a large red bow, please mail it to him immediately.

William Schwind has been assigned to fill the vacancy left by William Shaffer who retired Dec. 24, 1943.

Jim, the conscientious worker has returned to work after spending 30 days in the hospital on sick leave. We are glad to see Jim back and hope he will be okay now.

Charles Cook says he has made so many engine heads that he has had to purchase a larger hat for himself.

Singing Tony has few worries these days because he read in the paper a few days ago that Uncle Sam is calling 18,000 selectees from Toledo in the next draft.

Frank Jackson is a trifle unlucky these days. It seems that Frank's chickens were not laying up to par when the market price for eggs was high. Now that the hens are back on production the bottom fell out of the egg market. Don't forget Frank, prices ordinarily answer the law of supply and demand and you can't be blamed for feeling bad about it, but you can't blame the hens either.

On The Surface

HOW ABOUT YOU?

Where were you on the night of the last unit meeting? Did you forget that it is your responsibility to see that your UNION is functioning properly? A union meeting one night a month does not entail such a sacrifice that you cannot attend. We will look for you at the next unit meeting, the first Tuesday, in February.

It is odd that the company should show so much interest in thir laid off employees that they call them to tell them where they can obtain a job. Was it good intentions or was it an attempt to keep track of them so that they could be recalled in the event that work picks up? Thanks to Local 12 employment service most of these men are now working in UAW-CIO plants.

DID YOU NOTICE?

The new messenger outfit that Pete Tafelski has doned. Does that suit make it official? Who are we working for or does it make any difference? First it was the Surface Combustion Corp. Then it was a Division of General Properties Inc. now it again the Surface Combustion Corp. Each time Mr. Adams has had his title made less impressive, from Presi. to Vice and now to General Manager. Be careful boys he may be replacing one of us soon!

Lost, strayed, or stolen, somewhere in Cleveland, one decision on the Surface hearing. Where, O, where can the answer be?

Let us toss an orchid to Tom Burke and Ed Duck for the swell help and guidance they both have given us in our negotiations with the company.

P. S. They really know all the answers.

Ragging The Scale

We were sorry to learn of the death in the family of Joel Suire Chapman, but can't figure why, when he left to attend the funeral Tuesday noon, that a certain member of his department conceived the idea that he was uitting and informed everyone to that effect. Was he surprised when Joe showed up bright and early Wednesday morning.

THE CONTRACT

We hear that the scale workers have another contract ready for the assembly to vote on. Why note on any contract until the company writes in their clauses? They will end up writing the contract anyway, just as they did last time. Which reminds u that you people who want a real contract had better hurry and join the group that can get you one.

Why wasn't the contract committee elected at a regular meeting so that all departments could be represented? What does this com- until we get rid of the company union. Let's do it, and soon!

The Acklinite

by Lewis Mattox

The regular Acklin meeting will be held January 23 at 2:00, Local 12 headquarters. Nominations for committee for the coming year will be held. This is a very important meeting and every member is urged to attend.

Fourth War Bond drive is in full swing and the committee reports that the people are supporting it splendidly.

A change in the weather is a change in the personality department.

Quite a few of the boys who are home on leave visited the plant. Ruth Sasse's husband came home and said he was very well pleased with the production.

Who is the boy on the night shift who has a way with the girls?

Two teams represent Acklin in the Local 12 League, one under Frank Wekwert in the All-Star League, the other captained by Ollie Traskowski in the Standard loop. Following are the members of the teams:

Team No. 1 (All-Star League): Frank Wekwert, captain; Jack Lecher, Ed Mandy, Frank McCorsky, Jim awodny.

Team No. 2: Ollie Traskowski, captain; Frank Glyda, Ray Losek, Joe Kardos, Henry Kazela.

mittee, appointed by Koontz and Hannah, know about unionism or union contracts? For instance, Lois Webber.

Hugh Garns, do you honestly think they are qualified to draw up a collective bargaining agreement? But then we have never had a real contract yet—and we won't

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Poor Mr. Jones

We cannot and do not agree with the sentiments expressed by the Toledo Times in an editorial of January 14 "What Should Mr. Jones Do After The War."

Here is Mr. Jones as we see him:

Mr. Jones owns a small factory that did a modest business until the war came along. While Mr. Jones opposed conversion at first, he finally was convinced that there was a good profit to be made in war contracts, especially when men from Washington showed him that a war product could be made in his factory.

He called his men together, waved the flag, appealed to their loyalty to the company and their patriotsm for their country and received their assurance that they were as anxious to win the war as he was.

Temporarily, Jones was satisfied. He was too old to fight, having been a 90-day wonder in the last war. Many of his employes were also too old. Together they worked to win the war. The workers—the war against the Axis: Jones—the war against the workers.

One day Mr. Jones was surprised. He was sitting in his office, and that was enough to surprise anybody since he spent most of his time in the factory cracking the whip, or across the street with his friend and fellow industrialist, Smith (who signed his own draft exemption papers) plotting on how to keep the workers in their place. He has taken on many new employes to pad his expenditures on his cost plus contracts. One of these new employes came to his office. He was a union member who had been hired through an oversight on the part of an underpaid office worker.

Asking the employee into his sanctum, Mr. Jones with a forced air of friendliness said, "Well, young man, what can I do for you?"

The new employee said, "Some of us boys were talking the other day about the enormous increase in the cost of living and we decided to ask you for a raise."

In all his years in business, few men had ever mustered courage enough to ask Mr. Jones for a raise. Those who had, had been reprimanded, or dismissed and blacklisted as radicals. But Jones was thinking of his cost-plus contracts.

Mr. Jones consulted with his N.A.M. associates who advised him against granting the increase for fear the workers might be spoiled by "high wages." So, in doubt, he called the worker in to talk to him.

When the worker came to talk to Mr. Jones, he brought a "committee" with him. Mr. Jones was confused. Could it be possible that his employes were asserting themselves after all these years?

Mr. Jones told the committee he could do nothing for them. He said the company was losing money and he foresaw a big layoff in the future. He claimed he was paying more money than he should and that he was a wonderfuuly benevolent man, almost a father to his one big happy family of contented workers.

But the new worker surrounded by the committee, told Mr. Jones they were banding together in an organization to promote their mutual interests. Jones was appalled. This was treason, because he had read about strikes and unions in the daily papers and everyone knew the unbiased, nonpartisan attitude of the daily papers.

It all worked out the usual way. The employes were slightly divided by a hastily formed company union; but when the votes were counted, the real union won by a vote of 181 to 19.

Then it came time for the first contract. Jones stalled and stalled until the case was taken to the War Labor Board. After that, he merely stalled some more, appealing to the National War Labor Board on every possible loophole his highly paid attorneys could find.

Eventually the first contract was signed. Mr. Jones added the increased wages to the price instead of taking them out of his bloated profits.

One day, Mr. Jones got to thinking what he would do after the war, especially if the present administration remained in power. He was getting older and realized there were but few years left to exploit his fellow men.

Mr. Jones found himself in a dilemma. What would you do if you were Mr. Jones?

Mr. Jones and his kind, as well as the prostitute literary men who beat the drums for them will be our greatest menace in the postwar era as they are now. We need more workers who unite for their mutual interest, not only in combatting the Joneses and their hired press, but their lackeys in Congress who go into ecstasies at their smiles and swoon at their frown.

What's New?

By Edward Duck,
Educational Director, Local 12

Edward J. Duck

SANDBAGGED

George Addes and the Auto-Lite committee were caught in their own trap last Sunday, and you should have seen them squirm They baited the trap for me, with Addes condemning our newspaper for printing this column, and me for writing it.

Evidently they relied upon the glib tongue and suave manner of our UAW International Secretary-Treasurer to pull them through to a glorious victory, and with that thought in mind, succeeded in attracting more than two thousand Unit members to the meeting at Moose Hall.

Where they made their big mistake was in allowing me to speak, for when I told the membership the truth about the committee and their "guest speaker" as well, with proper proof and evidence, Brother Addes was none too well received by the assembled group.

Since I was not allowed to answer any of the remarks made by the other speakers after the conclusion of my one trip to the microphone, here are a few supplementary items which the membership might be interested in reading:

Brother Addes hails from Willys-Overland, yet not one single person saw fit to nominate him as a delegate to the UAW convention, and all of the seventeen delegates, who cast a total of 78 votes, cast them for George's opponent, Dick Leonard. This, coming from those he calls his fellow workers, is quite a tribute indeed!

Addes claimed he didn't know if any of the men seated around the table with him in the picture taken from Life Magazine, October 25th issue, were Communists. He proceeded to identify them as W. G. Grant, Fred Williams and Shelton Taaps, among others. Is he kidding? Fred Williams is a member of the executive board of the Michigan State Communist party, and Addes knows it. Do you wonder why I called him a sanctimonious hypocrite?

Jack Thompson wanted to know where all the company union contracts that he signed were. All he has to do is attend next Sunday's meeting, to which all Auto-Lite workers are invited, and I'll produce them. But he won't attend, because he'll be asked too many embarrassing questions if he does. (The game's up, Jack, and you know it.)

As for Red Claypool, I forgot to mention that I can produce affidavits to the effect that he attempted to put Stickney Avenue's Aviation Products Division into the United Mine Workers last summer, and that he attended a Mine Workers' meeting in a downtown hotel. He approached Bob Fredericks and others, advising them to go into the Mine Workers.

I also forgot to state that Earl Stucker admitted receiving $50 per month for many months as an "organizer" under Thompson's regime, during which time he failed to sign up a single member in the union. Jennie Bsharah, Bill Caswell and others also are guilty of this offense, and I will produce the proof at Sunday's meeting. (Claypool "rated"—he got $70.00.)

FEW DENIALS

Many charges were made, and few were denied. Their speeches left the audience "cold". Claypool's and Thompson's excuses were particularly weak. Guncheon's anti-Local 12 spoutings drove hundreds from the hall.

The fact still remains that even Addes refused to debate the issues mentioned in this column and none of them will prefer charges against me. The latest untruth is being spread by Claypool, who says it's against the constitution to prefer charges of this type. What he fears is that the charges would be reversed against him. The committee showed its colors at the meeting, and thousands of Auto-Lite members saw and know it today.

George Addes will think twice before he gets sandbagged trying to pull the committee's chestnuts out of the fire again. He washed his hands of them after he was whipped, so it looks like they're on their own from now on. In another month they'll be back on their old jobs where they belong, and we'll have some fresh blood on the committee.

If the Auto-Lite membership enjoyed hearing the truth, they will enjoy next Sunday's session, which will be held at Local 12, Parlor A, at 2:00 p.m. sharp. At this time I will produce more evidence of the committee's actions, and assure them they are in for a lively afternoon. If you are interested in bringing in a "New Deal" for yourselves, come down to the meeting. You'll enjoy it! There's a lot still to be told.

Is He Kidding? — *by Pettigrew*

It's News To Me

By O. J. Pecord

GAMBLING

Ever since that poor disillusioned gambler took over the prerogatives of the Almighty and removed himself from this vale of tears several weeks ago, we have been asked by dozens of people why this paper did not take an editorial stand on gambling.

O. J. Pecord

To begin at the beginning, this is a labor paper which is primarily interested in all that effects labor. Of course, there no doubt are a few members of the union who gamble. As a matter of fact, we know of several poker games which took place last Saturday night in private homes where five, 10 and 25 cents were wagered. Seventeen kids ranging from 11 to 17 years of age were seen rolling the bones over on Elm St. with 28 cents lying on the sidewalk, and two high school girls were overheard on a Cherry car wagering a "chalklate" soda on whether or not they could pick up an aviation cadet at the Trianon.

Frankly, the gambling situation in Toledo is terrific. It always has been. It always will be. And what is true of Toledo is true of Cleveland, Chicago, New York, Podunk and Crackerville.

Even Addison Q. Thacher, that old dyed-in-the-wool reformer who would like to see Honest Charles Hennessy retired to his Wood County farm, has to admit that gambling, like the radio and bicycle, is here to stay. Don't take my word for it but ask Ad himself the first time you meet him.

WHAT GAMBLING?

Time was when a sheriff could look the tormenters in the eye when they asked him about gambling and say, "what gambling?", or "don't tell me there is gambling going on in the country. What will people say!" But that is apparently all over, for the duration at least.

Funny how men's plans miscarry. There was a man who was disillusioned to the point of self-murder who apparently figured he could put benign Benny Arnoff in the grease; but instead put Sheriff Hennessy back of the well known 8 ball. And that reminds me that so far as can be determined, the Republican committee has not written any letters of commendation to Mr. Hennessy as it did to those other Republican stalwarts, Czelusta, Bame, Thacher and Jurrus. But let that pass while we continue with the gambling.

Our city council doesn't like the idea of Toledo getting a bad name because of the adverse publicity which played up the news that Toledo wasn't a nice, clean little city full of law abiding citizens, taxpayers and home owners, to say nothing of a decent city administration which has effective public servants like Safety Director Edward DeAngelo who know how to put the Ax to high-priced gambling fixtures, and thereby arouses loud cheers from the Thacher-Czelusta bloc in Council.

REPORTED GAMBLING

Naturally, there will always be reporters, or perhaps calumnists (that's what Harold Ickes and Ad Thacher call them) like myself, who will report that there is gambling going on in our lily white city; but then that's nothing, because I can remember reading a story written by some French author of two confirmed gamblers whose ship was wrecked throwing them into the water. They found what they thought was a solid chunk of wreckage floating nearby and pulled themselves to seeming safety. Once aboard their raft, they discovered that instead of a piece of wreckage, their safe haven was the back of a whale. Not knowing what else to do, and being without a deck of cards, they began to bet on how soon the whale would submerge leaving them struggling for their lives in the water.

All of which ads up to nothing or something depending upon how you feel about gambling. As for the gamblers why we all know that they have hearts as big as they make them and of pure gold. Don't they give money to the church, to charity and to the downtrodden? Don't they send flowers when somebody dies? And it isn't right to force these "businessmen" out of business when all this big money is floating around.

CIVIC PRIDE

How many times have we heard that we should be proud of that great establishment just a few miles outside Toledo which is reputed to be one of the largest establishments of its kind in the world, the Monte Carlo of Lucas County.

What's the matter with our civic pride when we do not appreciate what the gambling fraternity is trying to do for Toledo? Why we should be proud that our fair city has its name connected with such a great institution for soaking the suckers. Instead of arresting the gamblers and running them out of town, we should give them the key to the city and make them honorary members of the Chamber of Commerce.

But our city council doesn't seem to feel the proper apperciation for what the gambling fraternity has done for Toledo. Both the Councilmen and Edward DeAngelo seem to have a low opinion for those who have brought fame to Toledo because of the largest gambling establishment in the country which is only located near, and not in Toledo. And Mr. Thacher has even requested that this paper beat the drums for our pure and fair city.

We would gladly proclaim to the world that we think that Toledo has an excellent cty government, one of the best council groups it has ever had, and an administration which is efficient and so honest that a lot of people hate it; but the only trouble is that we only have 35,000 readers and only go into 65 communities surrounding Toledo.

So far as the gambling situation in Toledo or the county is concerned we are positive that there isn't any large scale gambling since Mr. DeAngelo took over the sheriff's job. We have every confidence that there will be none as long as the Safety Director is in charge, and we can't cry for the gamblers. But for the information of all, I'll keep on playing a little stud for modest stakes, or maybe pitch pennies for keeps.

Editor's Mail

NOTE: The opinions expressed by writers to this department are those of the writers and do not necessarily represent the opinion of this paper. Letters should be brief, preferably under 200 words, typewritten if possible, or legibly written. Please do not send any poetry.

Protests Editorial

Last Friday's Toledo Times carried one of the most vicious editorials I have read in a long time entitled, 'What Should Mr. Jones Do After the War?" I don't know what we are facing in the postwar period, but if the Times editorial is any indication, we are going to still be receiving a good going over at the hands of the press.

I think that the Times editorial should not only be answered, but that every union in this town ought to take some action against the paper for its policy. This is not the Times first offense and will probably not be its last. It seems to me that there is only one way for individual workers to show their displeasure with the Times consistent anti-labor policy.

Paul Shoenfelt, Jr.
Spicer Unit

Give Us More

The folks at our house like the way the Journal takes some of the politicians apart and shows what makes them tick. We like 'Its New To Me" when its author tells Congressman Ramey off.

By the way, just what is Congressman Ramey doing in Washington? I believe you ought to find out and let him have it some more if he isn't doing anything for labor, and he probably isn't. Why should he? Didn't the Republicans elect him?

Our paper is showing constant improvement, and I believe all those who read it, and thousands do, enjoy it as much as I do.

Spicer Unit.
Robt Sass,

About Blood Donors

Workers at the Mather Spring have a blood donor group which gives blood to its members and their families whenever an emergency requires such service.

At one time the company would pay the men when they were called away during the day to give blood in cases which needed a transfusion, which was seldom. But today this practice no longer prevails and we go on our own time to aid those who need our blood.

I thought that you might publish this letter, which is an indication of just how petty some of the industries can be, and which shows as well as some other things which are occurring that the companies are out to irritate labor on every possible score.

Our people lose very little time in going to and from the hospitals, and the company will hardly save enough to keep Earl Hite in cigarettes for a week. What kind of petty larceny would you call that?

Frank Kowalski,
Executive Committeeman,
Mather Spring Unit

Doesn't Like Movie Page

To The Editor:

It is my sincere feeling that THE TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL has filled an urgent need in this industrial city. The editorial policy and the news stories are presented in the light of their relationship to the problems that face labor. That is as it should be. Unfortunately it takes but one mistake to give a paper a black eye.

The cheesecake motion picture page fails to tell its readers of the relationship of motion picture propaganda to labor's present day problems.

When we read a labor paper we expect the news to analyze the subject matter and report its good and bad points from a labor viewpoint. We get enough cheesecake in the daily papers. They tell of the rise and fall, the troubles and tribulations of the Hollywood tribe.

Tell us what to expect in the way of propaganda in the coming movies. How do the themes of these new pictures effect labor. All entertainment has a purpose and motion pictures are a great method of forming opinion. Give it to us from the labor viewpoint. Please cut out the cheesecake. We can see the legs in the show. Use the space they take up for more labor news.

Richard W. Bowers,
Surface Combustion
Unit.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

Those who accuse the railroad workers and the steel workers of aiding the enemy are talking through their hats—brass and otherwise.

Clayton W. Fountain

No matter how high the authority, military, political or what have you, from which this falsehood originated, it is still a phoney. But, at the same time, it is a revelation. It reveals the unbelievable inability of powerful brass hats to comprehend the true nature of this war.

The heat and the fury of this controversy stems from a conflict of war aims. The anti-labor plutocrats, politicians and publishers merely want to speed up the job of killing enough Germans and Japs to successfully conclude the military phase of the war.

DESTROY FASCISM

Organized labor, one the other hand, is determined to wage a war effort, political as well as military, which will destroy Fascism, both abroad and at home.

It is this conflict, which amounts to a kind of civil war on the home front, that has given rise to labor disputes, inflation and other domestic troubles.

Unlike labor, the reactionary leaders of, and spokesmen for, American big business are not committed to the total destruction of Fascism. If they were to endorse a total war against Fascism, and implement such an endorsement with action, they would have to call their dogs off the throat of American labor.

In short, big business wants to kill Axis troops and labor unions with one stone—while labor wants to kill Axis troops and Fascism with one stone.

DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS

The wage fight simply reflects labor's determination to maintain its democratic rights.

If profits had been properly restricted; if the cost of living had been held down; if the foes of labor had not launched their double-barrelled attack on labor in Congress and in the press; and if the unions had been granted full participation in the councils of war, this fight would not have developed.

But, no—the hatchet men of Wall Street, aided by their political and editorial stooges, have worked in the opposite direction.

They were out to get labor—and no holds barred.

And now they squeal to high heaven because labor fights back; because the unions stand firm and insist that free trade uionism is basic to the democracy for which we are fighting.

COCKEYED REASONING

The reasoning behind the charge that labor's firm stand feeds the Nazi propaganda mill is absolutely cockeyed.

Nothing would make Hitler happier than to see the American unions smashed and scattered. He knows that—so long as the unions here are strong and militant—his hopes for a negotiated peace are in vain. He knows that it is organized labor which put starch in the backbone of th United Nations; that the unions identify Fascism, not Japs and Germans as such, as the enemy.

In the words of a friend of ours, "we ought to be proud to let the workers of Europe know that even the President of the United States can't make a miner dig coal if he doesn't want to."

This is proof that the freedom for which we fight is a living thing, and not just words in the mouth of a politicians.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Director,
Region 2B, UAW-CIO

SOLDIER VOTE

Local 12 should be congratulated for its efforts to get Congress to reconsider the soldier vote bill which was killed some time ago. It is my hope that every Local in Region 2-B will do the same and bring pressure to bear on Congress to give the service men one of the rights they are fighting for.

Richard Gosser

Congress, in defeating the bill when it was up for consideration, confirms our suspicions that the men who represent the people back home are not so anxious to have the soldiers vote this year. They must be afraid of something. Maybe they are not so confident that a wedge really has been driven between the soldiers in the field and the folks back home. Maybe they are not so certain that the troops are as prejudiced against labor as some labor haters try to make us believe.

THEY SHOULD VOTE

Our soldiers should have the right to vote regardless of what conditions they might be fighting under. They should not be deprived of their vote even if they come from the poll tax states. That is the reason why the politicians from the South are the most active in seeking to prevent the soldiers from voting.

If ever anyone has earned the right to vote, it is the soldier. He is fighting for democracy. He has been told that this war was to overcome the Axis and bring the four freedoms to the four corners of the globe. He believes that he is fighting for a sacred cause, and he is, if we do not take away from him one of the greatest assets which he has as a citizen of a country dedicated to the principles of political democracy.

WE SHOULD VOTE

We will be wrong if we demand the vote for the soldiers and yet neglect to exercise our own rights. As an organization we are right in demanding that the soldiers be given the right to vote; but we will not be very convincing if, after signing petitions asking Congress to pass the necessary legislation to give the soldiers the ballot, we neglect to use it ourselves.

Those who fail to vote this year, and there are always some who neglect their duty, will actually be giving an absentee vote to the same people who are trying to prevent the men in uniform from voting. I would like to see a great increase in the number of our people who go and register now before it is too late. Thousands of qualified voters would be a stronger argument to back up our petition than writing a forceful petition to Congress demanding rights for the soldiers which we ourselves neglect to use.

I feel that any man who fights or works should vote, and I will do all in my power to try and get the bill passed which will give the servicemen their rights. I also would like to call upon all those who have neglected their right to vote, to register at once and vote this year. This is an important year for labor and we must vote to safeguard our own rights and interests as we are trying to safeguard those of the soldiers who are fighting to protect our rights.

Let's Share The Ride

By Melvin Schultz
President Local 12, UAW-CIO

It should be apparent to everyone today that the needs for the war effort must take precedence over everything else.

Many things which are absolutely essential to military success, and therefore require severe curtailments of civilian consumption, do not come under the head of luxuries.

Melvin Schultz

In the case of gasoline and rubber it is obvious that the war cannot be won without a sufficient supply to launch an effective invasion campaign. It is apparent that the ships, tanks, planes and jeeps which must use this gas and rubber in carrying through the campaign, can only be replaced by the use of gas and rubber in the factories at home.

CONSERVATION NECESSARY

We are fortunate that the shortage of gas and tires isn't so critical as to make victory impossible. Still the shortage is critical enough to require the most careful conservation of the available supply.

How can this most effectively be accomplished is the problem to be solved by all who hope for a decisive victory as soon as possible so that the boys in the armed forces can come home, and we can again devote our energies to working for the establishing and maintaining of peace and full employment.

Our union has pledged its fullest support to the war effort. In addition we wish to avoid any undue hardships on those engaged in the building of the weapons of war. It is therefore extremely urgent for all the workers to cooperate to the fullest extent in the gas rationing program and thus lessen the possibilities of more severe curtailment.

In the shops where our local is the bargaining agent, steps have been taken to prevent the inviting of more severe curtailment by eliminating waste. In our shops there are Share-the-Ride programs. There is an office in which all those who want to ride to and from work go to register. At the same place, all those who want a driver register their request. In this way carless riders and riderless drivers are matched.

A GOOD PROGRAM

While this is a good program, all programs are only a plan of operations. Unfortunately, not all members have availed themselves of the opportunity to aid in this program. Too many people still regard rationing as something the Government does to make people "war conscious." A little analysis will show that military essential requirements do make unavoidable shortages. Effective rationing of all goods where shortages exist is the only guarantee the workers have against a situation in which the workers do without, while financially able to pay inflation rates for scarce goods.

Gas rationing is one of the inconveniences of war and our union wishes all the workers to prevent increasing the burden of those who work in the war plants, and also help insure victory by cooperating to the fullest extent with the gas rationing program. If we do this our chances of getting suplemental gas for those who really need it to get to and from work is thereby increased.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Films To Come

"Meet The People"

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Compiled by Burny Zawodny

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Lucille Ball, who scored such a great hit with movie audiences in the two musical productions, "DuBarry Was A Lady" and "Best Foot Forward," returns in a third fast-tempo musical story, "Meet The People," soon to be seen at Loew's. Her chief acting confederates in the new photoplay are Dick Powell and Bert Lahr.

"Meet the People," deriving its title from the musical entertainment of the same name that proved such a standout hit in its coast-to-coast tour, is a story about a group of shipyards workers under the supervision of Commander Bert Lahr, with the romance between a visiting stage star and a play-writing riveter who writes plays providing the central framework of the story.

Dick Powell, who has scored some of his biggest successes in musicals, including several releases of the "Gold Diggers" series, is the literary-minded young wartime worker. He stepped into the cast of "Meet The People" after completing two other new films, "True To Life" and "Riding High."

Bert Lahr, the never-to-be-forgotten cowardly Lion of "The Wizard of Oz," has one of his most amusing roles in the part of the yards chieftain. Lahr has been the chief performer in a long list of Broadway musical shows and has always been given Hollywood roles that seemed to be particularly fitted to his unusual comedy talents.

Prominent in the galaxy of featured players who were picked for "Meet The People" are Virginia O'Brien, famous for her "frozen-face" comedy numbers; June Allyson, who zoomed to public popularity with "Best Foot Forward;" John Craven, son of the distinguished star, Frank Craven; Steve Geray, veteran stage and screen comedian; and the King sisters.

Melody ingredients for the novel new musical were contributed by Edward Eliscu and Henry Myers, sponsors of the stage show, "Meet The People," with music by Jay Gorney, Sammy Fain and Harold Arlen. Two nationally prominent bands, those of Vaughn Monroe and Spike Jones, occupy the orchestral spotlight in the picture.

In bringing "Meet The People" to the screen, it was the professed intention of the producer, E. Y. Harburg, to combine the best elements of the musical revue and musical comedy schools. A new tangent has thus been utilized, with results that may be indicative of a swing in Hollywood trends for the new season. Harburg, himself a noted song-writer, also contributed some numbers to the new show.

Charles Riesner, who directed "Meet The People," for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, is one of Hollywood's veteran directors. More than two hundred productions stand to his credit in the movie industry record-sheets. His most recent M-G-M production was 'Harrigan's Kid."

Buys Big House

Hollywood chuckled when Lou Costello bought that fine big house of his. He was as excited as a kid about everything in it, the lovely new furniture bought without having to think of the bills, the new rugs and hangings, all the things he and his wife had talked of in the lean days, the things they had dreamed of and never really thought would ever be theirs. But the thing that Lou was most excited about was the swimming pool. It was the finest one in Hollywood, he bragged.

Meet A Famous Lady

GREER GARSON appears amazingly like the original in her portrayal of the title role in "Madame Curie," M-G-M's forthcoming picture based on the life of the celebrated French woman who discovered radium, playing this week at Loew's Valentine.

CIO Indorses Dingell Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (FP)—CIO Pres. Philip Murray Jan. 13 urged house passage of a mustering-out pay bill for servicemen and women, providing $1.66 for each day of overseas service and $1.33 for each day of home service.

Introduced last June by Rep. John Dingell (D. Mich.), the bill, HR 2853, is now in the house ways and means committee. Collection of the pay would be in the form of either cash or war bonds.

In identical wires sent to congresional leaders, Murray said the CIO, along with the Veterans of Foreign Wars, was opposed to the senate-approved Barkley bill, S-1543, "on the ground that this measure is moving into the realm of adjusted service pay and that adjusted service pay should be based on sounder premises with regard to length and type of service."

As passed in the senate, the Barkley bill would grant mustering-out pay ranging up to $500. This was pared down to $300 in the bill approved by the house military affairs committee.

Gets Fired After Enlisting

ST. LOUIS (FP)—If an employe has enlisted in the armed forces, can the company fire him to keep from paying the military bonus provided in the union contract?

That is the question to be decided by arbitration here in the case of Thomas Lynch, an active member of Local 125, United Cannery Agricultural Packing & Allied Workers (CIO), fired by the Quaker Oats Co. He had been fired once before, for union activity, and reinstated after the union put up a fight. So the company had a grudge against him.

Lynch enlisted in the Marine Corps and returned to his job to work until the day for him to report. A few days later he was fired—and the company refused to pay the 3-week military bonus on the ground that Lynch was not an employe when he left for the service. Decision of an arbitrator is expected shortly.

First

First husband and wife to go on an overseas entertainment tour are Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Bogart, who headed for the European war area a short time ago. They will do a skit together for the boys' diversion. The soldiers will have a chance to see what kind of fireworks Mr. and Mrs. B. stage in their own home.

Hollywood Lot

By TED TAYLOR

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 17 (FP)—Warning that the peace is being planned right now and that Hollywood had better rush spokesmen to Washington pronto to stake out its claims for the world's postwar markets has been given by Harold Hopper, the motion picture industry's dollar-a-year man on the War Production Board.

There is a ti here for labor, too. That labor should have a seat at the peace table is one of the points in the joint political program adopted by AFL, CIO and railroad locals in Los Angeles.

"An opportunity of the greatest importance awaits the American motion picture industry in connection with the deliberations over the peace treaty," Hopper's warning said.

"Here will be the chance to nullify or reduce all or most of the restrictive measures that have been taken by foreign countries against the distribution of American films during the year preceding the war. The four great Allied nations will decide the question at the peace table.

Free Competition

"All (Hollywood) asks is that its product be allowed to come into free competition with those of any other nation, unhampered by legislation, tax penalties and embargoes which have been imposed in the past by foreign countries on the importation of American films."

With discharges from the armed forces under way at the rate of 10,000 a week, the postwar period has started for practical reemployment purposes.

With a preliminary peace table set up in Washington and industry invited to draw up a chair, the time for labor to formulate its peace aims is here, too.

PLOTS FOR PLOTS. Another Washington tip (from Variety's columnist) is that fascinating ideas for films are on tap in the war frauds unit of the Dept. of Justice. "Some involve big business...inside FBI work...cheats endangering lives of American servicemen." If Hollywood takes the tip, what do you bet the villains will be Nazi agents instead of big business?

Red Skelton, Red Triumph

RED TO THE REDS. Red Skelton, romantic comedian, presented a fighting plane to the Soviet Baltic fleet. Red Fleet, navy paper, reports victories already scored by Red's gift.

EDUCATION. Carey Wilson, M-G-M producer, decided to go to college to find out what should happen to Andy Hardy as a freshman. Wilson registered at Occidental College, enrolled for classes, went through the procedure to get a campus job and attended four classes for a week. Several times, the story winds up, "he was actually asked questions by the professors."

STATUS. During her tour of camps and hospitals Madelaine LeBeau's m. c. consistently introduced her as "Free, French and unoccupied."

BEST BET. Lassie Come Home (M-G-M). For something out of this war, a darn good bit of dog acting, and with believable human support.

$64 QUESTION. "What radio program are you listening to?" queried the pleasant voice of one of those checkup girls who polls listeners by phone. "What's a radio?" asked the man, and hung up.

It's True!

One of the last scenes to be filmed for "The Story Of Dr. Wassel" was a mob scene and the set was swarming with actors. Gary Cooper was on the sidelines waiting for the action to start when a big moth alighted on his hand. As the star was about to swat it, Director DeMille yelled: "Don't kill it, Gary. That's the only actor on the set I don't have to pay."

Tempting?

AFTER VACATION in New York, Lana Turner returned to the M-G-M Studio to start work on her next picture, "Marriage Is a Private Affair." Production starts real soon. Can you wait?

Little Luther

"Well, Pop" said Luther, looking up from his homework, "I guess you'll be happy now. Pres. Roosevelt has come out for a national service act."

"It's about time," Mr. Dilworth answered. "The country can't get along without it any longer."

"That's what you said three years ago, Pop. According to your figures, the country doesn't even exist any more."

"Come, come, my boy. That was just a figure of speech."

"It sounded like a speech of figures."

"I cited a few statistics, that's true. That's the way you show what's happening to the country."

"Well, what is happening to it? I hear we're winning the war."

"Bah! A lot of nonsense. The Russians will take all of Europe while we're waiting to open up a second front."

"I thought you were against a second front?"

"That was a long time ago, my boy."

"That's what the Russians say."

"You read too many books."

"I read that in the newspapers. I also read about the Chase Natl. Bank being indicted for conspiracy to help the Nazis."

"Now, Luther, that was a mistake."

"It's always a mistake to get caught."

"Bankers are to be found among our most distinguished people."

"What happens when they're found?"

"I mean they sit in the halls of the great."

"That's probably where the process servers find them."

"My boy, Pres. Roosevelt talks to bankers all the time. He even asks them questions."

"Sure. He probably asks: 'Have you stopped defrauding the government?

"Nonsense. These are educated men."

"Maybe he said: 'Have you been reading any good indictments lately?"

"Don't make wisecracks. We'll want those mo some day."

"The FBI want them now."

"Shut up! They are great men. They are going places."

"If they're found guilty, you mean."

Famous Musical Show Here In Swing Shift Performance

William Franklin is the sensational Porgy in Cheryl Crawford's Broadway production of George Gershwin and Dubose Heyward's "Porgy & Bess," the nationwide musical hit of the season coming to Toledo for a Swing Shift performance Wednesday night, January 26, at 11:30 in the Paramount theatre.

Franklin who was formerly featured vocalist with the Earl Hines and Eddie Coles Orchestras is a graduate of the Chicago Conservatory of Music and made his debut in the concert field with the Chicago Symphony and WGN Symphony Orchestras. In grand opera he sang the leading role of Amonasro in "Aida" with the Chicago Opera Company. Later came appearances in "Swing Mikado" and the radio premiere of "Ballad for Americans," also prominent parts in "The Chimes of Normandy" and "The Pirates of Penzance."

Sings Famous Tunes

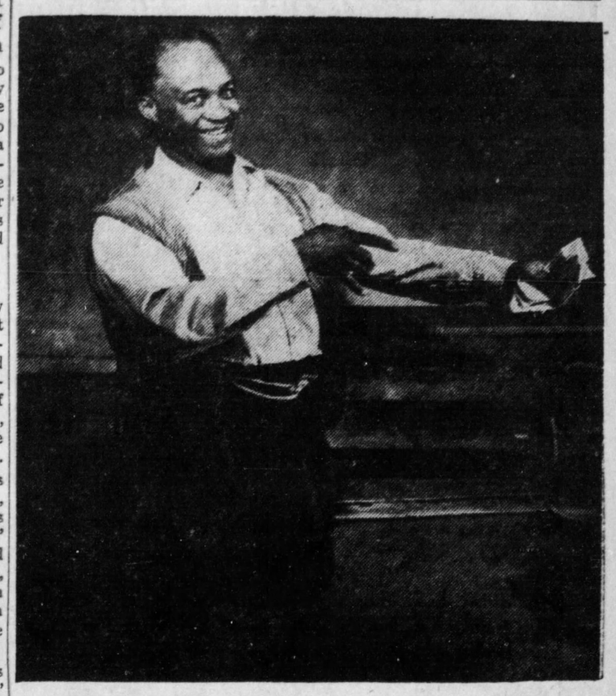
As Porgy he sings the now famous Gershwin tunes, "I Got Plenty O' Nuttin'" with its infectious gaiety, and the moving and dignified "Bess," "You Is My Woman Now." The plaintiveness of the duet with Bess, "I Loves You, Porgy" is another unforgettable highlight of this great musical hit.

Featured with Franklin in this saga of Catfish Row in Cherleston, South Carolina, are Etta Moten as Bess; Avon Long as "Sportin' Life," Georgette Harvey, Edward Matthews, Alma Lillie Hubbard, Warren Coleman, Harriet Jackson and the Eva Jessye Choir, with Alexander Smallens conducting the symphonic orchestra.

Due to the tremendous success of Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess" across the country from coast to coast, Broadway has again demanded for the third time a return engagement of the popular musical hit with the above cast intact, and an indefinite run will start in New York at the end of February, so this is Toledo's last chance to see the famous musical.

Patrons are urged to get their tickets as soon as possible. Flora Ward Hineline turned away 1500 last season when she presented the show here.

Seats are on sale daily 10 to 6 —Monday 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. in the Paramount Lobby.



William Franklin as Porgy in the Gershwin musical hit, "Porgy and Bess," which returns to Toledo for a Swing Shift performance Wednesday night, January 26, in the Paramount theatre under direction of Flora Ward Hineline.

Paulette Goddard's entire wardrobe in "Standing Room Only" cost only $18.75. It consists of an inexpensive dress and a maid's outfit.

Little Red Riding Points, or Goldilocks and the Three Steaks

While Dennis Morgan was in Oregon on a bond tour, he snatched a few hours from government business to go buck hunting. "Ah, venison for the Morgans," he sang triumphantly, rubbing his hands together, He had the deer meat properly segmented, packed in dry ice and shipped to Los Angeles where it was placed in cold storage against the winter's dearth of red coupons.

Now Dennis and his elder son, Stanley, have frequently gone hunting together with a BB gun. They have knocked tin cans off fence posts and peppered an occasional oak tree in the valley shallows, so Dennis felt certain that Stanley would be interested. He described his feat glowingly, and Stanley listened carefully, finally observed in a sorrowful voice, "I know you did it for us kids, but after you had seen 'Bambi', Daddy, it must have been awfully hard on you to shoot that poor deer."

Mr. Morgan has said nothing about his hunting trip since that moment. He thinks he should write to Mr. Disney and sign the pledge.

Unions Oppose President

WASHINGTON (FP) — AFL President William Gren, CIO Pres. Philip Murray and officials of five international unions took issue with the President on his proposal for a national service act.

Something New in Red Hair

JANE HALE gave up a career with the American Ballet Company to return to Hollywood to study. All of a sudden she became an assistant dance director, then the camera found her out and she's terpsichoring in M-G-M's "Broadway Rhythm."

Today I'm a Rider

Mounting a saddle on the screen for the first time in five years, Mickey Rooney will ride a race horse in "National Velvet" and there will be a sequence in which Mickey will be able to show you that he really has a way with horses. The last picture in which Mickey rode was "Stablemates."

We Cater to the Workers of National Supply Company
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INDIANAPOLIS (FP) — Sec.-Treas. Woodruff Randolph of International Typographical Union (unaffiliated) charged the National War Labor Board with being responsible for strikes and labor unrest.

IT'S TRUE! By Wiley Padan

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FELIX BRESSART (THE MAN OF A THOUSAND MUSTACHES - WHO LEAVES 'EM OFF FOR THIS PICTURE) IS AN AUTHORITY ON MEDIEVAL HISTORY.
Robert BENCHLEY SAYS THAT BENCHLEY, TEXAS IS NAMED FOR HENRY BENCHLEY, HIS GRANDFATHER WHO WAS LIEUTENANT-GOVERNER & MASSACHUSETTS.
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"It's true that nine years ago Robert Taylor deserted a promising musical career for screen fame," says Wiley Padan. "His interest in music was still strong, however, and he continued to play the 'cello for his own amusement." "Taylor portrays a great American orchestra conductor in M-G-M's 'The Song of Russia', soon to be seen at Loew's. His musical studies have come in handy!"

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SPORTS

Willys Quintet Still Winning Games

Photo By Bill Close

Willys-Overland which topped both leagues in the Y. M. C. A. Industrial Basketball loops last year has resumed its winning ways again this year leading the National Division with four straight wins. Members of the team are top: Cortez Gray, Frank Hlubick, Shamme Barnett, Elmer Faber. Front —Frank Domowski, Matie McCray, Dick Barbegs, Harold Moss and Sam Urucka.

It Helps The Beer

GRAYLING, Jan. 17.—Whether vitamin B in the form of brewer's yeast added to the fishes' diet will reduce hatchery losses in the winter months is the subject of experiments being conducted at Grayling and Marquette hatcheries.

At Grayling 5,700 trout yearlings are the "guinea pigs". One pond of rainbow trout and one of brown are fed five per cent brewer's yeast in addition to their regular hatchery diet. Another pond of rainbow and of brown are fed the same diet without any yeast.

At Marquette hatchery two ponds containing 10,000 fingerling brook trout each are being used for the experiment.

These experiments were begun in the fall and will continue until waters are at normal summer temperatures.

Eating More Carp

LANSING, Jan. 17—More Americans are eating carp, burbot, mussels, shark, squid, skate and other varieties of under-utilized fresh and saltwater fish and shellfish than ever before, the Fish and Wildlife Service reports.

Carp and burbot, which is sometimes known as fresh water cod, are to be found in Michigan waters. They are becoming more popular because of meat rationing and the high prices of better known species, state conservation fish men state.

Good Hunting Season Brought To A Close

COLUMBUS, Jan. 17—The closing of the rabbit hunting season in Ohio on January 11 rung the curtain down on a successful and somewhat unusual hunting season. For one thing, it included Ohio's first deer hunting season in a half a century. The inland trapping season closed January 15.

Although it had been thought that the war would greatly reduce the number of sportsmen who would take to the fields, many in the armed services on a furlough found a little time for hunting and those engaged in war work, although they had to reduce the number of hunting trips taken, did some hunting. Conservation Commissioner Don Waters reports that the reduction in hunting and fishing license sales will not exceed approximately 10% for 1943.

Reports of Other Game

The squirrel hunting season, first on the menu, opening and closing on different dates in the northern and southern zones was very good. The shorter season in the northern zone has done much to re-establish the bushytail population in that area.

Thousands visited Southern Ohio where three counties were thrown open to deer hunting in December and 164 bucks were bagged and a lot of folks enjoyed, for the first time, the magnificent and different scenery to be found in that section of the state.

Pheasant hunting was good, although in some areas they "sat tight" and were hard to flush, especially by those not hunting with dogs. Grouse, found in Southern Ohio hill counties, are coming into their own. Deer hunters in southern Ohio reported seeing many grouse and equirrel.

Pheasants and cottontails took the brunt of the shooting and most nimrods were satisfied with results.

The Waggin' Tongue of Local 12

Someday the servicemen will be coming home and again will work side by side with us. Well, we won't want to make excuses for not remembering them while they were fighting a battle for us. We will want to feel free to shake their hands, to welcome them back and to ask them about their experiences.

Remember, even though these members are in military service, they are just as much a part of Local No. 12 as if they were here, they would like to hear from us as they would like to know what were doing here at home.

So today and until its over let's all

"Say a prayer for the boys over there."

Buy War Bonds and Stamps

And write to the Boys in Camps.

The above mentioned are ways we at home can take a punch at the guys who are responsible for all of our troubles these days.

DON'T ASK US

Why the voice of Frank Sinatra keeps Jennie Jeffries of Auto-Lite and Eleanor Jagielski of Air-Way in perfect ecstasy?

Or why Randy Gray's penchant for sleeping is as pronounced as ever.

Or who it was that coined a new name for Ollie Owczarzak of Bingham. It's "Kibby" (not after Guy) but short for Kibitzer. Ollie, it seems has a knack for cutting off sentences as well as raising your bid for you.

Or why Lloyd Speidel's wife razzes him, or why Ollie Pecord carries all those pencils in his vest, or why Burny Zawodny wins all the dough and then treats.

Tournament Prize List Announced

By Ed Mandy

Members of UAW-CIO Local 12 tournament committee have set up a prize list that should get the hearty approval of all the tourney bowlers.

Actual pinfall champions receive $100 plus medals for each bowler with names inscribed and a beautiful trophy, to be held for the season by the winning team in the Unit trophy room until a new winner is announced the following year. The Unit getting three legs on the trophy will have permanent possession of the museum piece.

The same setup is also applied to the highest handicap champion. This will be devided by the highest Plus over Scratch. The same Plus system will be applied on all prizes with one exception, the highest actual pinfall as before mentioned. Other prizes will be as follows: $75 third; $50 fourth; $40 fifth; $35 sixth $30 7th; $25 eighth; $20 ninth; $15 tenth. $10 each to the next ten teams; $7.50 each to the next 15 teams. Making a total of 35 prizes with additional prizes to be added if the entries merit so.

There are still two shifts open early Saturday afternoon of Jan. 29 for the night workers and Breakfast League bowlers. So get your entries in fellas.

Several choice spots are also open an Sunday afternoon and evening of Jan. 30th the final day of the tournament.

You can get your entry blanks at Local 12 or the Bowl-O-Drome Bowling alleys.

The Units who have teams entered in this tourney thus far are, Willys-Overland, Surface Combustion, Spicer, Standard Commutator, Toledo Steel Products, Acklin, Stamping, DeVilbiss, Gordon Bumper, Bingham Stamping, Kent Owens, Champion Spark Plug.

Lets get behind this gala affair and make it the outstanding tourney for the entire year in Toledo.

We are trying to set up a precedent for the tourney, so that next year we will really have to go some, in order to beat the entries allready set to roll.

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DeVilbiss	733	826	733
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Spicer Mfg.	786	843	822
Surface Combustion	920	869	841
National Supply	868	809	880

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STANDARD LEAGUE

Toledo Pressed Steel	702	647	683
Bingham Stamping	809	755	768
A. C. Klopping	767	766	857
Gordon Bumper	779	807	834
Surface Combustion	769	746	873
Mather Spring	704	834	778
DeVilbiss	851	760	868
National Supply	790	824	802

Herb Vogel, 230; Len Warneke, 207; Cap. Wekwert, 200; Ed Miller, 210, 216; H. Black, 210; Cap. Amborski, 231.

Steelworkers Reveal Huge Industry Profits

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16—(FP)—The steel industry has raked in $1,206,000,000 in profits since 1940, of which $650,000,000 represent excess profits.

The figures were revealed by the United Steelworkers (CIO) in a special report to its 700,000 members. Current demands by the union for a 17c hourly wage increase and a guaranteed minimum annual wage are being denounced as inflationary by the big steel corporations.

"Steel is a rich industry," said the report, "and its workers are entitled to their just and equitable share of the industry's profits." Aside from its huge profits, the corporations 'tucked away in the sock almost a billion dollars for the upkeep of machinery and replacement of coal and ore mined," the union said.

NEW YORK (FP)—A recommendation that the name of the Communist party be changed at the next party convention to the American Communist Political Association was announced by Secretary Earl Browder.

Income Taxes and The Wage Earner

By David A. Guberman

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of several articles written for the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL by Attorney David A. Guberman, associated with the law office of Edward Lamb. In view of the complex form used in reporting this year's taxes, we urge you to clip and save these articles.

All compensation received during the year must be reported in full including wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, tips or fees. Amounts withheld by the employer for the taxpayer's benefit, such as Social Security Tax, hospitalization and insurance premiums, War Bonds, pension funds, union dues, personal debts, garnishment proceedings may not be deducted from income. In addition, items which are income and must be reported are the amount of income, victory and social security taxes paid for you by the employer, but not deducted from wages; ordinary life insurance premiums paid for you by the employer, if you have the right to name the beneficiary; a Christmas or vacation bonus, if in cash, or the cash value if given in property; the value of living quarters, meals, utilities, etc., furnished you by the employer, if furnished for the employee's convenience. The latter need not be reported if furnished for the employer's convenience.

Expenses Are Deducted

You must also include as income daily allowances made to you by the employer for traveling and living expenses, but the actual cost may be deducted. The following must also be included as income: sick leave or benefits paid by the employer, if he was not bound to pay them by contract, but did so voluntarily; retroactive wage adjustments in settlement of labor disputes or by War Labor Board order; strike benefits received from your union; dividends and interest received; winnings from gambling to the extent they exceed losses.

Money received from the rental of a house must be reported after deducting the cost of repairs made, water bills, insurance, any utilities furnished, janitor service furnished, real estate agent's commission in procuring a tenant, and advertising expenses in procuring a tenant. In addition, a yearly deduction for depreciation should be taken. The government allows a depreciation deduction of three percent per year of the total cost of the house for a frame house and two percent per year for a brick or concrete house.

If the house is a duplex or a double and you live in one unit, only half of the preceding deductions may be made, except that the real estate commission or advertising expenses may be taken in full.

If you rent out rooms in your home, make the above-mentioned deductions on a proportionate basis. For example, if a taxpayer has a 10-room house and rents out six rooms, he may deduct 6-10ths of the cost; four rooms rented, 4-10ths, etc.

Important Deductions

No depreciation may be taken for a house owned and lived in solely by the taxpayer.

If you sell at a loss a house lived in only by your family, no deduction is allowed. If you sell at a profit, half the profit must be reported as income. If you sell at the same price you bought, the profit is the amount which equals the yearly depreciation multiplied by the number of years you lived in the house. Likewise, if you sell a house which was rented out by you, half the profit must be reported. But if you sell such a house at a loss, the full loss is deductible.

Alimony paid periodically and not as a lump sum payment, by court order, is income to the woman and must be reported. It may be deducted by the man. But if the order is for periodic payments as one sum for both alimony and child support, it is not income to the woman or a deduction for the man. Very few court decrees separate the two. Any divorced man paying both in one sum should take steps to have the order changed so as to save money in the future.

(To be continued)

Jack & Heintz Co. Accused of Profiteering

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (FP)—The War Department Jan. 14 ordered Jack & Heintz, Cleveland aircraft parts manufacturers, to hand back $7,000,000, which it charged the company had chalked up in "excess profits" on government contracts in 1942.

Undersecretary of War Robert Patterson said that "to the extent the $7,000,000 is not recovered by the Treasury Department through taxes, the recovery will be effected through withholding of amounts otherwise due to the corporation. This will result in recovery of approximately $1,750,000 that would not otherwise have been recovered from the company by the government."

WASHINGTON (FP)—Creation of a separate government agency, with labor and industry fully represented, to deal with reconversion problems and plan for full postwar employment was urged by the CIO postwas planning committee and by AFL Pres. William Green.

Pipe Threading Weekly News

Our hats are off once again to the Boys in Blue, namely Petty Officer 1st class Wayne Snow, Petty Officer 1st class Howard Adkins and Chief Yeoman Graham for the splendid bit of work they did at the plant last week, in the form of giving speeches on Navy recruiting of the Waves, the splendid work that labor has done in the past on the helping of the recruiting of Sea Bee's and the Ship Repair Unit and the whole hearted support and cooperation that labor is now giving them in their efforts to recruit more Waves.

For an alltogether new idea on why we should purchase more War Bonds we must give special thanks and credit to Chief Yeoman Graham, for his splendid speech on that subject. I have never before seen a group of men so impressed in my life, as they were after listening to the Chief's very fine talk on the purchasing of more War Bonds.

The committee at the Pipe Threading are proud to state that they are at last making fine progress on their case, which is before the War Labor Board.

There will be nominations for a committee of the Pipe Theading Unit on Monday Feb. 7th, 1944, all members are urged to vote.

OCD Auxiliaries Praised For Work

Both the Auxiliary Firemen and Police of OCD were praised by the Fire and Police heads on the splendid cooperation and excellent work done by them in the recent fires at the Silencing Consultants of America plant and in the Colony Business Block on West Central Avenue.

Chief Earl Walterschied of the Fire Prevention Bureau stated that fifty Auxiliary firemen reported for duty and assisted in controlling the fire on West Central Avenue. They worked with the regular firemen in raising hose and ladders and wherever alse they were needed. Chief Walterschied said they reported to engine houses and filled in for the regular firemen where they were shorthanded.

The Auxiliary Police responded in like manner and both groups volunteered their services to their superior officers. Inspector Roth who is in charge of Auxiliary Police of OCD said that this was, "A very ethical thing for them to do, and was in a soldier-like manner." He also said "The fact that they reported to their command offi[ce] first is the result of training, and makes having a group of volunteers at hand worthwhile.

Commander Paul H. Chapman of the Office of Civilian Defense expressed his pleasure at these additional expressions of loyalty and devotion to duty on the part of auxiliary firemen and policemen.

GOP Defeat Of Soldiers' Vote Looms

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (FP)—Supporters of a workable soldiers vote bill were staring defeat in the face Jan. 13, as it was reported that the house elections committee would vote out 7-5 the senate approved Eastland-McClellan-McKellar states rights bill.

Buried in committee will be Rep. Thomas Scanlon's (D. Pa.) bill, around which administration supporters had hoped to effect a compromise. While supporters of a federal ballot for servicemen will fight for revision of the states-right bill on the floor of the house, Republican and poll tax members of the house committee are pressing for a rule barring amendments.

Republican members of the house reportedly held a meeting late Jan. 13 at which they decided to back the Eastland-McClellan-McKellar bill, leaving it up to the 48 states to handle the vote.

House passage of the Eastland bill would be a set-back for senate advocates of a federal system of voting. Sen. Scott Lucas (D. Ill.) has introduced a compromise bill, similar to the Scanlon measure, which was generally expected to get senate approval, but house passage of the meaningless states' rights bill would weaken Lucas' fight considerably.

Whiskers a Fake, Vice President Says

NEW YORK (FP)—At one point in Vice Pres. Henry A. Wallace's address to the CIO postwar employment conference he urged unions to get together with farmers in their counties on legislative issues. He said:

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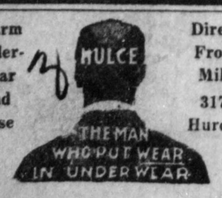

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